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Art in Public Places Commission

February 24, 2015

The Art in Public Places Commission (AIPPC) of the City of Annapolis held its regularly scheduled meeting on February 24, 2015 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center located 273 Hilltop Lane. **Chair** Moyer opened the meeting at 6:43pm.

Commissioners Present: Chair Moyer, Vice Chair Koscianski, Peterson, Matthews

Commissioners Absent: Averill, Palumbo, Towle-Krewson, Arthur

Staff Present: Wittlinger

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 27, 2015 Meeting Minutes

The AIPPC deferred voting on the meeting minutes to its March 24, 2015 meeting.

C. REPORTS

1. Artistic Bike Racks

Ms. Theimer-Brown explained that there has been a pre application with the HPC since the last meeting. There were six locations settled upon and all will have a pair of racks except for Neumann Street Park. There will be a total of eleven racks. The six locations are Susan Campbell Park, Neumann Street Park, Prince George Street Park, Actons Landing, Knighton Garage, and Outer West Street. She will be presenting to the Annapolis Heritage Commission and they will be reviewing the plaque script for accuracy.

Ms. Matthews moved to support the artistic bike racks project. **Vice Chair** Koscianski seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 4-0.

2. <u>City Hall Art Exhibits</u>

Ms. Berlin discussed the City Hall art exhibits indicating that she has met with Public Works who prepared the walls so that the art exhibits could be hung. There will be a kick off program with Dick Nieworth on April 13, 2015 followed by Will Scott, Cindy Fletcher. The month of August is open and September and also November are taken. She agreed to provide the AIPPC with the hanging dates of the exhibits. The artwork will be hung for four to five weeks. **Chair** Moyer suggested a press release announcing all the artists. She suggested Ms. Wardlaw prepare a press release to interview artists in order to showcase their artwork on cable television. Mr. Berlin agreed to discuss the request with Mr. Abrams as well. **Chair** Moyer will prepare a write up for the cable television request for review prior to submittal to Ms. Wardlaw.

3. Thursday Night With the Stars

Chair Moyer reported that the Thursday Night with the Stars event is booked for the summer for nine weeks. She explained that the musicians will be paid this year. The opening kickoff is scheduled for July 2, 2015 with Dr. Phil's Big Band followed by a 5-Person Combo. She went over some of the remaining artists schedule to perform at the summer series event. The program of the events will be

placed in the "What's Up Annapolis" magazine but will also need to be distributed by members to the different locations.

4. Children's Museum Art

Ms. Wittlinger was not contacted by Mr. Johnson regarding the Children's Museum Art proposal and agreed to reach out to him through email.

5. Arts Trail

Ms. Peterson has been working with Ms. Wampler who hopes to have all the current information uploaded soon. She has taken some additional photos that she will provide to Ms. Wampler for inclusion on the website. She believes that the art reads well on the website. The next step is to have someone sit down with Ms. Wampler to come up with a trail. **Chair** Moyer reminded all that March is Art Month and asked for suggestions on how to promote art. It was noted that AIPPC should prepare write up on some of the artwork occurring in the City so that it can be provided to Ms. Wardlaw for press release.

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Navy Wall Art

Chair Moyer has not heard anything more on the Navy Wall art other than the Superintendent wants to be involved but needs to get additional information from the realtor.

2. Three Small Parks

There has been no movement on the call for artists for three small parks and no one has responded to the request despite the front page article in the Capital. Ms. Wittlinger will check into whether the park at the end of Compromise Street is City owned.

3. Goldberg Art

Chair Moyer said that there is someone who works with metal and is willing to look at the Goldberg art to provide an estimate. She has not received the estimate yet.

4. The Great Give

Chair Moyer noted that the City is not a nonprofit so in order to achieve the nonprofit status, the AIPPC could partner with Annapolis Community Foundation (ACF) who is nonprofit. She is working with ACF to allow the AIPPC to be included as part of their nonprofit status. She noted that under this program, the AIPPC will have to market itself in order to promote people to give.

5. The Art in City Book Redo

Ms. Peterson will get the photos to the publishers but noted that the book will be larger so the costs will be more.

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Arrival of Hermione and Lafayette Celebration - Participation

Chair Moyer asked for suggestions, ideas on the best method of celebrating this event. **Vice Chair** Koscianski agreed to come up with ideas to share at the next meeting.

Chair Moyer encouraged members to contact their Alderperson regarding budgeting funds for the AIPPC.

F. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 6:30 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center.

Ms. Matthews moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:02pm. **Vice Chair** Koscianski seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 4-0.

Tami Hook, Recorder